Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Andrew L. Davis is being honored as Pastor Emeritus of the Rapid Valley Baptist Church in Rapid City, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Pastor Davis started the Rapid Valley Baptist Church 30 years ago, as well as many of the Southern Baptist churches in the Black Hills. His motto, "You have to put feet and legs to your prayers if you want to build a church" is recognized by the 25 congregations which he is responsible for establishing; and,

Whereas, Prior to ministering in the Black Hills, Pastor Davis served the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention at the Fort Peck Indian Reservation in Montana and on the Rosebud and Pine Ridge Reservations in South Dakota; and,

Whereas, It is appropriate that Pastor Davis be honored as Pastor Emeritus of the Rapid Valley Baptist Church in Rapid City, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the many accomplishments and years of service of this South Dakotan:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 10, 2006, as

PASTOR EMERITUS ANDREW L. DAVIS DAY

in South Dakota, and I join Pastor Davis, his family, friends and parishioners in celebration of this day.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-first Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State